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"It may be only coincidence that assistant secretary of defense Donald Quarles, in charge of research and development, was formerly vice-president of AT&T's Bell Laboratories.

"The deputy director of research and development for the National Security Agency, A. B. Clark, is also a former Bell Laboratories vice-president. R. K. Honaman, a deputy assistant secretary of defense, is another Bell Laboratories executive on leave of absence.

"Here are other ex-AT&T executives who are now scattered around the government:

"Deputy Defense Mobilizer Victor Cooley, formerly present of Southwestern Bell; assistant budget director Donald Belcher, formerly AT&T treasurer; census director Robert Burgess, an ex-Western Electric executive; assistant administrator Stanley Damkroger of the Commerce Department's business and defense services, on leave of absence from Pacific Telephone and Telegraph; and Harold M. Botkin, assistant director of telecommunications for the office of defense mobilization, on leave from Longline Company, another AT&T affiliate.

"This is only a partial rollcall of the ex-AT&T employees who have suddenly gone to work for the government.

"Note—FCC chairman John McConaughy used to collect fat legal fees from AT&T telephone companies that he is now supposed to regulate.

"Commissioner John Doerfer of Wisconsin and the new appointee, Richard Mack of Florida, have utility backgrounds and are considered friendly to the telephone companies."

Mr. Whiteman reported that after seven months and five applications the intersystem is on the air. The unused portion of the intersystem funds is to be used towards paying for telephone calls to gain the license.

The July meeting will be at the Los Angeles Police Academy, Friday, July 22, 1955. The August meeting will be at the APCO National Conference, August 16, 17, 18, 19, New Orleans, Louisiana.

WARREN L. DAVIS, Sec'y

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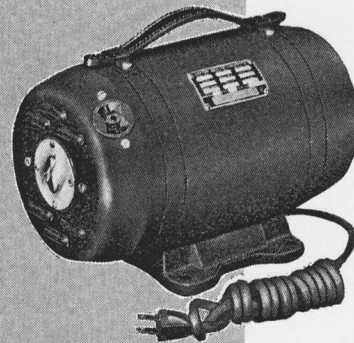


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